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## **U.S. International Trade Commissioner to Speak at Eastern**

**Willimantic, Conn.** – Dean Pinkert, a member of the U.S. International Trade Commission, will speak at Eastern Connecticut State University on March 5 on the topic, “The U.S. and World Trade Challenges.” Pinkert’s presentation, sponsored by Eastern’s David T. Chase Free Enterprise Institute, begins at 11 a.m. in the Paul E. Johnson Sr. Community Conference Room of the J. Eugene Smith Library.

Prior to his appointment as commissioner, Pinkert was a senior attorney in the Office of the Chief Counsel for Import Administration at the U.S. Department of Commerce. During his tenure in the Commerce Department, Pinkert served as the trade and judiciary counsel to U.S. Sen. Robert Byrd (D-WV). From 1998 through 2000, Pinkert was a senior associate in the litigation and trade group of King and Spalding in Washington, D.C., where he represented U.S. companies in antidumping and countervailing duty investigations.

Pinkert holds a Bachelor of Arts degree with high honors from Oberlin College; a Juris Doctor degree with honors from the University of Texas School of Law; and a Master of Laws degree with merit from the London School of Economics and Political Science.

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